

ceased to be the cathedral church of the bishopric of Liverpool and the cathedral church (or the portion thereof for the time being used for Divine Service) erected by the Liverpool Cathedral Committee pursuant to the power given to them by the said Liverpool Cathedral Act 1902 upon the site in the said Act referred to as the site of St. James' Mount and dedicated by the name of The Cathedral Church of Christ in Liverpool is now by virtue of the last mentioned Act for all intents and purposes the cathedral church of the bishopric of Liverpool with all rights and privileges attaching thereto:

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the provisions of the said Liverpool Cathedral Act, 1885, His Majesty by and with the advice of His Most Honourable Privy Council is pleased hereby to order and declare as follows, that is to say:—

(1) The dean and chapter of the Cathedral Church of Liverpool (hereinafter called the dean and chapter of Liverpool or the said dean and chapter) is hereby founded.

(2) The said dean and chapter shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a Common Seal and the constituent members thereof shall be the dean and four residentiary canons.

(3) Subject to the provisions of this Order and the Statutes hereby made and established the dean and each of the said residentiary canons shall hold his deanery or residentiary canonry by the same tenure as the incumbent of any other deanery or residentiary canonry as the case may be in England and the law relating to other deaneries or residentiary canonries in England shall so far as may be consistently with the tenour thereof and with the circumstances of the case apply to the said deanery and each of the said canonries respectively and to the incumbents thereof.

(4) The deanery shall be in the direct patronage of His Majesty and each of the said four residentiary canonries shall be in the patronage of the Bishop of Liverpool for the time being.

(5) The said dean and chapter shall possess and enjoy all the rights and powers of other cathedral chapters in England and the said dean and chapter and the endowment thereof shall be deemed for all purposes to be subject to the same laws as the dean and chapter of any other cathedral church in England and the endowment thereof.

(6) The dean and chapter shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Liverpool for the time being as Visitor thereof.

(7) The Statutes hereinafter set forth are hereby made and established for the order rule and governance of the Cathedral Church of Liverpool and the said dean and chapter and the members officers and endowments thereof.

THE STATUTES OF THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF LIVERPOOL.

PREAMBLE.

The Cathedral Church of Christ in Liverpool was founded and built to be an enduring witness of faith in the Incarnation of our Lord, and in the glory of His Resurrection; to express that faith in the worship of Almighty God; to foster it in the City and the

Diocese by spiritual ministrations to the clergy and the people; and to extend it in evangelism both at home and overseas.

To this end it will be the first duty of all who bear rule in the Cathedral, all who serve and all who minister therein, each in his part and station, so to labour together that through the dignity, the beauty and the simplicity of its services God's Name may be truly hallowed and magnified in the ministry of the word and sacraments, in prayer and in praise.

And seeing that the practice of worship calls for manifold activities of mind and spirit, and that for its exercise men have need to be prepared by instruction, guidance and example, it shall be the concern of the Cathedral, as well throughout the Diocese as within itself, to encourage all studies appertaining thereto; such as that of music, taking heed that none but the best and purest worthily performed and shared, shall be offered in the services of the Church; of art and craftsmanship, whereby through reverent design and dedicated skill, the work of the Spirit may herein also be acknowledged, and His inspiration accepted and employed; and, more than all, of sacred learning, unto a better understanding of past teachings, and a more perfect apprehension of God's continuous revelation of Himself from age to age.

For the due performance of these and other functions, and for the avoidance so far as may be of all dissension and perplexity among those who shall be charged therewith, these Statutes are ordained. But since no such ordering in one generation can fully suffice for those that are to come, consideration may from time to time be given how to meet by change of Statute new opportunities which cannot be fitly used without such change. Wherefore, if need be, let further order under lawful authority be taken for the Cathedral, provided always that the spirit and purpose of its foundation, as herein declared, shall ever be maintained, and further that the fabric of the building be preserved, not only from ruin, but in its present strength and beauty, and, so far as is possible, at the charges of its own funds.

Finally, as Mother Church of the Diocese, the Cathedral should be a home and centre of fellowship. Wherefore it behoves the Principal and General Chapters in their several degrees to make its whole corporate life, maintained by a sharing of worship and study, and by constant personal contact, an exemplar of ministerial brotherhood. So, being at unity in itself, may the Cathedral ever reveal to the clergy of the Diocese, and encourage them to cherish, their oneness in the service of Him to whose most blessed name it is dedicated, and in whose love all its work is done.

STATUTE I.—THE BISHOP.

1. The Bishop shall have the right upon reasonable notice, not being less than two weeks, to use the Cathedral or any part thereof for Synods, Ordinations, Confirmations, and for other special services, to determine the form and ordering of all such services, and to appoint the preachers thereat. He shall also preach and celebrate the Holy Communion at such times as he shall see fit, the same notice being given. He may appoint one preacher at a Sunday service in every month.